

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/787,237

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Jean A. Gelin

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 1/20/06.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-4, 7, 8, 20-22, 9, 10, 13, 14, 23-26, 15-17, 27-30, and 19, renumbered as 1-24 respectively.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.

THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 2/15/06
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

DETAILED ACTION

1. This is in response to the Applicant's arguments and amendments filed on January 20, 2006 in which claims 1, 4, 9, 15, and 19 have been amended, claims 5, 6, 11, 12, and 18 have been canceled, and claims 20-30 have been added. Claims 1-4, 7-10, 13-17, and 19-30 are currently pending.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with T. Andrew Currier (Reg. No. 45,400) on March 27, 2006.

3. The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 1, line 14, after "said first geographic range" please insert -- , and such that when said device is in said second geographic range a reminder is generated for said appointment at a time prior to said appointment, said time being substantially equal to an expected travel time from said second geographic range to said first geographic range --

Claim 9, line 13, after "said first geographic range" please insert -- , and such that when said device is in said second geographic range a reminder is generated for said appointment at a time prior to said appointment, said time being substantially equal to

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an expected travel time from said second geographic range to said first geographic range --

Claim 15, line 17, after "geographic range" please insert -- , and such that when said device is in said second geographic range a reminder is generated for said appointment at a time prior to said appointment, said time being substantially equal to an expected travel time from said second geographic range to said first geographic range --

Claim 19, line 17, after "geographic range" please insert -- , and such that when said device is in said second geographic range a reminder is generated for said appointment at a time prior to said appointment, said time being substantially equal to an expected travel time from said second geographic range to said first geographic range --

Claim 30, line 13, after "prior" please insert -- to --

Allowable Subject Matter

4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: After a further search and thorough examination of the present application and in view of the applicant's arguments, amendments, and examiner's amendments, claims 1-4, 7, 8, 20-22, 9, 10, 13, 14, 23-26, 15-17, 27-30, and 19, renumbered as 1-24 respectively, are found to be in condition of allowance.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably

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accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

5. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Andrews et al.	US 6,678,613	01/13/2004
Batschumas	US 6,958,692	10/25/2005
Joyce et al.	US 5,740,538	04/14/1998
Eaton et al.	US 7,016,855	03/11/2003
Davidson	US 2003/0005060	01/02/2003

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jean A. Gelin whose telephone number is (571) 272-7842. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:30 AM to 7:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Banks-Harold Marsha can be reached on (571) 272-7905. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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JGelin
March 27, 2006

JEAN GELIN
PRIMARY EXAMINER

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jean Allard Gelin".